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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97-1.98, Applicant calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. HEI 10-222694, published on August 21, 1998, along with an English language abstract of the same; and

Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. HEI 11-328437, published on November 30, 1999, along with an English language abstract of the same.

Applicant notes that the above-noted documents are discussed on pages 1 and 2 of the specification of the instant application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these

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documents.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/560,346 to TOTSUKA, entitled "Method, Program Product, And Game System For Blurring An Image", which was filed on April 28, 2000; and

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/559,126 to TAKEUCHI, entitled "Method, Program Product, And Game System For Blurring An Image", which was filed on April 28, 2000.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are attached.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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